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THANK YOU, MR. CONGRESSMAN

When President Nixon's budget with drastic reductions in LSCA funds was announced, many South Carolina library officials and interested citizens wrote their Congressman to request their support for restoration of these funds. To date the State Library Board has received copies of 61 replies to these requests. The following are excerpts from the Congressmen's letters:

Senator Thurmond: "I realize the importance of the library program to the people of South Carolina and be assured I will study this matter very carefully with your views in mind when it comes before the Senate."

Senator Hollings: "My position has always been that cutting educational funds is false economy, and that this should be the last area to be cut. You may rest assured of my continued support."

Representative Dorn: "I believe that they (Sub-committee on Appropriations) will recommend that the Congress continue to fund this program at a level not less than that now approved."

Representative Gettys: "You can count on my best efforts in behalf of adequate funding for library directed programs."

Representative McMillan: "You can rest assured that we will do everything possible to have Congress appropriate the necessary funds to continue the good library services and construction funds."

Representative Mann: "I will certainly do what I can to see that our current building program is not jeopardized. I will also work for the maintenance of current funding under Title I. I appreciate your bringing this matter to my attention and am grateful for the work that you and the other members of the Board of Trustees are doing."

Representative Rivers: "Let me assure you that I will do my best to restore these funds."

Representative Watson: "I have every intention of supporting appropriations for a strong library system. You may be assured that I shall do everything I can to see that the program is properly funded."

SLB GALS ON THE GO

On May 15 Estellene P. Walker, Director and Betty E. Callaham, Director of Field Services, State Library Board attended the dedication of the new North Carolina Archives - State Library building in Raleigh. The next day they visited the new quarters of the North Carolina - South Carolina Regional Library for the Blind where they conferred with Mrs. Marian Leith, Librarian and Robert S. Bray, Chief, Division for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Library of Congress.

Mrs. Mildred Hulme, SLB Reference Consultant, spoke to the Upper Piedmont Special Library Association which met on May 15 at the Cryovac plant at Duncan. Mrs. Hulme's topic was The Special Librarian and the Library Community. The Association has a quarterly dinner meeting.

YES, VIRGINIA, THERE IS A SMOKEY

In June 1950, a badly burned black bear cub was rescued after a disastrous fire on Capitan Mountain in New Mexico. "Little Smokey" was nursed back to health by Judy Bell, daughter of a state game warden. In a master stroke of publicity opportunism, the U. S. Forest Service, hearing the story of the little New Mexico bruin, decided to make him a living prototype of the symbolic fire preventin' bear which had been created by the Advertising Council five years earlier in 1945.

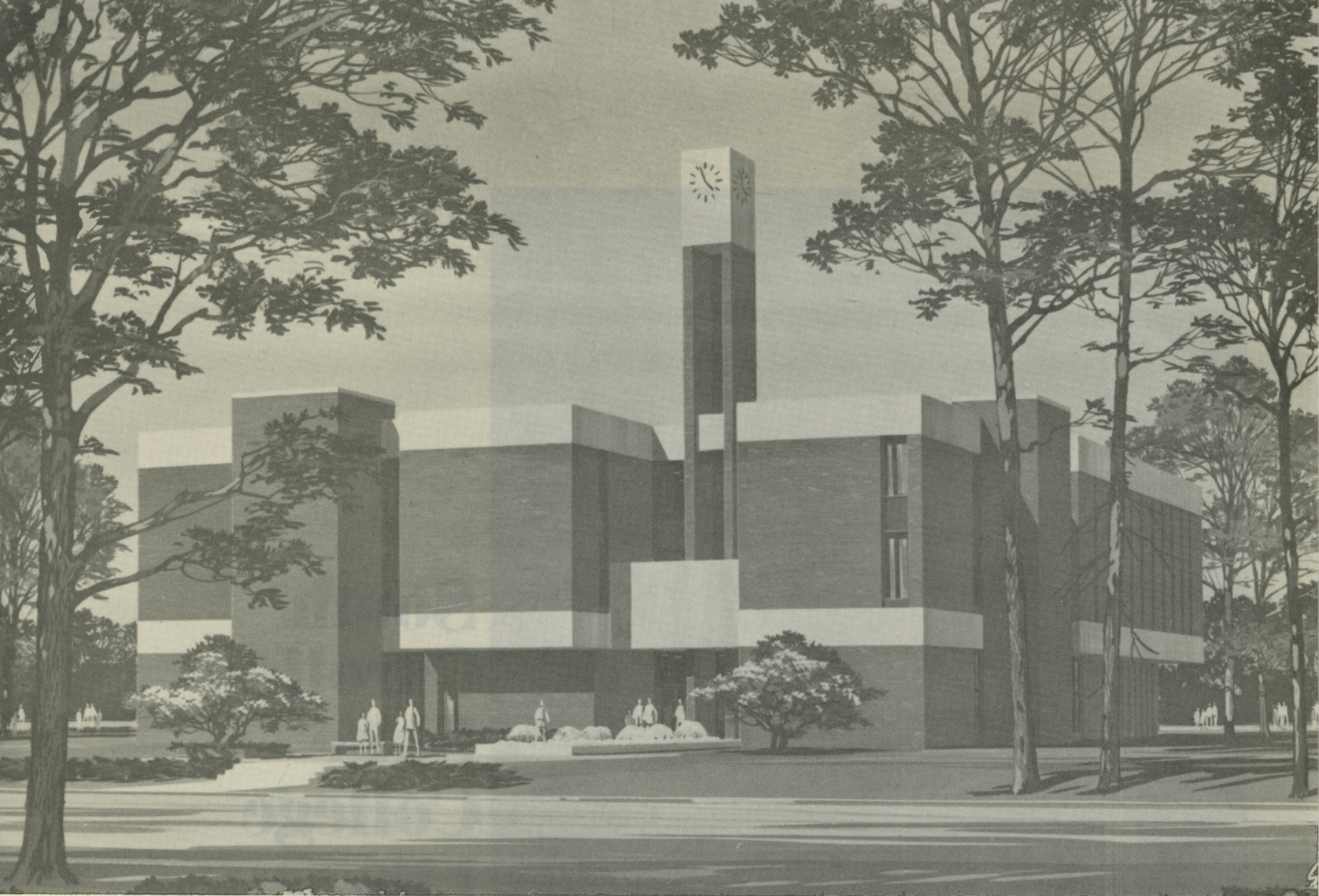
Smokey, now full-grown and residing at the National Zoo in Washington, is seen by millions of visitors each year.

This same Smokey, wearing blue jeans, hat, and a purposeful look, is serving as the standard bearer of the state-wide summer reading program which is being sponsored this year by the S. C. State Library Board, the S. C. State Commission of Forestry, and the S. C. Wildlife Resources Department.

Approximately 30,000 children are expected to join the Club which runs through August 15 in 34 public libraries; libraries at Fort Jackson and those in the Sixth Naval District; and the North Carolina-South Carolina Regional Library for the Blind and Handicapped.

Kick-off date for Smokey Bear Clubs across the state was May 15 and from all indications thus far, the summer reading program is going to surpass all expectations.

Smokey will be proud!



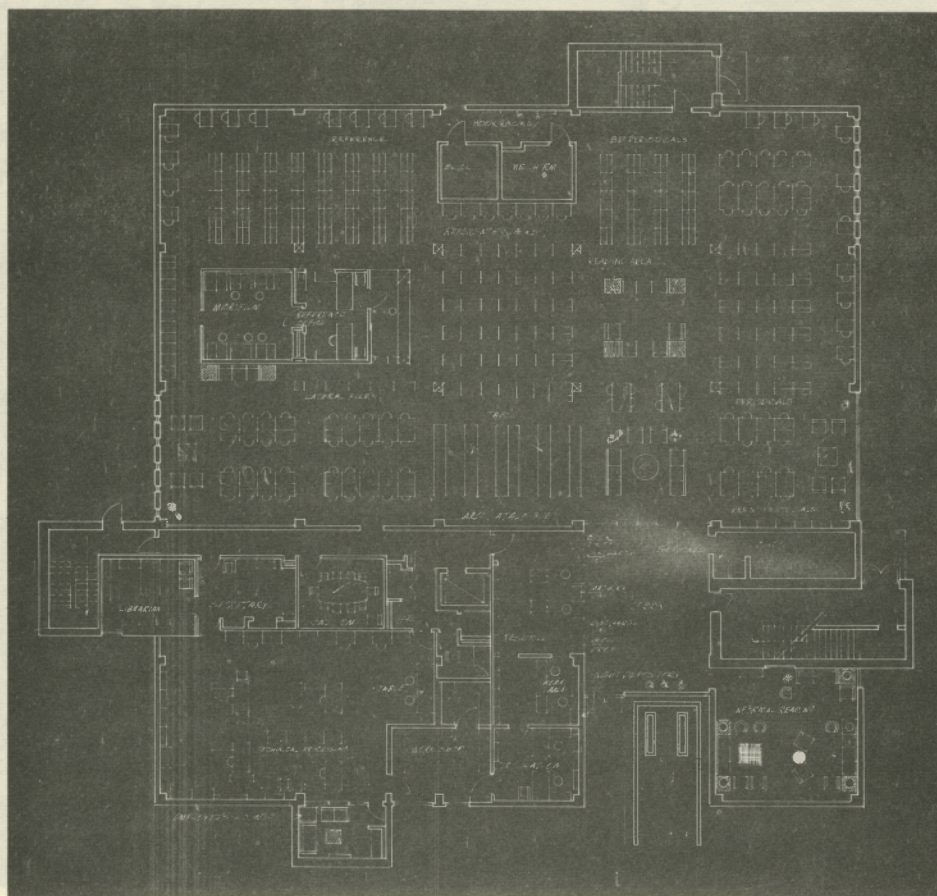
South Carolina State College Library

A New Look for a South Carolina Library

New library constructions throughout South Carolina have indeed not been limited to the public library system. The building renaissance has spread to many of South Carolina's college campuses. This month's story features the Miller F. Whittaker Library on the South Carolina State College campus in Orangeburg.

Construction of the Whittaker Library was begun on June 7, 1967 and the library was opened for service on February 6, 1969.

The exterior features brick with concrete spandrel and full window walls. A unique feature is the clock tower emerging from a reflection pool at the entrance. Interior decor emphasizes bright accent colors around exposed brick, walnut wood paneling and vinyl wall covering. A combination of carpeting and resilient tile is used for comfort and noise level control.



South Carolina State College Library

Financed by the State with assistance from the Federal Government, the building was constructed on land owned by the college at a cost of \$823,797 with an additional \$115,000 for furnishings.

Comfortable seating is provided for 500 patrons and the building can house 168,000 volumes. The building is designed to ultimately house 250,000 volumes. Carrels, small spaces for individual study, constitute 70% of the seating. Other special facilities include listening booths, seminar rooms, faculty studies area and typing rooms.

According to Miss Barbara J. Williams, college librarian, "This building employs the best in modern library facilities. Listening booths or learning carrels house tape desks and turntables. The central air conditioning and the evenly distributed, glare-free lighting are appreciated by everyone using the study areas. The library is the focal point of our campus."

The 41,247 square foot building has three floors and was planned by Lyles, Bissett, Carlisle and Wolff, Architects, of Columbia. The construction firm was Lafaye-Tarrant Construction Company, also of Columbia.

SLB PERSONNEL PROJECTS

Intern Program

As in the past eleven years, the State Library Board in cooperation with 15 county and regional libraries and one institutional library will sponsor the summer intern program. Twenty-one college students will have the opportunity to learn about librarianship while earning. The project is designed for young people who have not yet made a commitment to a future career.

The sponsoring libraries and their interns are: Abbeville-Greenwood Regional Library- Joyce A. Hannah, Winthrop College; Anderson County Library - Ellen E. Moore, Winthrop College; Beaufort County Library - Francoise M. Hipp, University of South Carolina; Colleton County Memorial Library - Carolyn T. Howell, Columbia College; Florence County Library - Laura Jane Lewis, Winthrop College; Greenville County Library - Sydney M. Timmons, Salem College (N. C.) and Henry Donald Sellers, Furman University; Horry County Memorial Library - Nellie E. Elam, Maryville College (Tenn.); Laurens County Library - Lidie D. Owings, Columbia College; Lexington County Circulating Library - Jan M. Fulcher, Furman University and Susan E. Husman, University of South Carolina; Oconee County Library - Sandra Diane Franks, Erskine College; Pickens County Library - Nancy F. Simmons, Clemson University and Joyce E. Bowen, Johnson C. Smith University (N. C.); Richland County Public Library - Carolyn Beth Gobbel, Winthrop College and Kathryn L. Koon, Newberry College; Spartanburg County Public Library - Judith E. Abner, Limestone College and Wanda D. Ragan, Appalachian State University (N. C.); Sumter County Library - Judith L. Schweitzer, University of South Carolina; York County Library - Mrs. Judith M. Neelands, Winthrop College; Horger Library, S. C. State Hospital - Virginia B. Wolfe, Duke University (N. C.).

Scholarship Program

Libraries participating in the summer intern program may sponsor a scholarship applicant. Each year the State Library Board offers five scholarships of \$2,500 each for graduate study in library science from an accredited library school. The scholarship program in its present form is now in its eighth year. So far this year, two candidates have partially met the requirements and will complete the three months experience requirement by serving as interns this summer. The applicants are Francoise M. Hipp and Henry Donald Sellers.

Miss Hipp, a Beaufort resident will be an intern at the Beaufort County Library. A senior at the University of South Carolina, she will attend Louisiana State University Library School in the fall. She will be sponsored by the York County Library.

Henry Donald Sellers from Williamston and a senior at Furman University will be an intern at the Greenville County Library. The library will also sponsor Mr. Sellers and he will return there upon graduation from library school.

Undergraduate Scholarships

To date State Library Board has approved 13 applications for scholarships to attend library workshops at Columbia College, Winthrop College and Furman University. The Board offers these scholarships as part of its continuing effort to enable the personnel of S. C. public libraries to give more effective service. A by-product is that pre-professional employees may use the credits earned to renew their certificates.

Attending the first or second sessions at Columbia College are:

Mrs. Marjorie H. Turbeville, Horry County Library; Mrs. Robbie M. Bouknight, Lexington County Library; Ollie Mae Munn, Mrs. Emma B. Fulton, Juliette Wilson, Mrs. Ethel T. Mapp and Mrs. Mary S. Tarlton, Florence County Library; Mrs. Dorothy Moore and Mrs. Jane W. Robb, Richland County Library; Mrs. Hazel W. Mitchell, York County Library.

Mrs. A. T. Usher, Union County Library will attend Winthrop College and Julia Babb, Greenville County Library, Furman University.

NEW MEMBER SOON TO JOIN SLB STAFF

Mr. Barratt Wilkins will assume his duties at the State Library Board in June when he will graduate from the University of Wisconsin Library School. Mr. Wilkins received an SLB scholarship.

A native of Georgia, Mr. Wilkins received his B.A. from Emory University and his M.A. in History from Georgia State College.

While attending the library school, Mr. Wilkins served as President of the University of Wisconsin Library Students Association. He also has written for the Georgia Historical Quarterly and has taken extensive library tours throughout the Midwest.

THE GOLDEN YEARS - READING LIST

Copies of a new book list, "Books for the Golden Years," are being distributed to all public libraries in the state. The list was prepared by the State Library Board at the request and through the cooperation of the South Carolina Interagency Council on Aging. First distribution was at the Conference for Professional and Community Leaders, on the subject "Our Older Citizens - Their Health Protection and Self-Protection" held at the Wade Hampton Hotel, Columbia on May 8th, and sponsored by the South Carolina Interagency Council on Aging and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. This meeting was a highlight of the many activities scheduled around the state for the celebration of the month of May as Senior Citizens' Month and was attended by 275 people. All books on the list are in the State Library Board collection, and many of them are also in our public libraries.

A second list "Reference Reading on Aging," geared to the needs of the professional worker, is in preparation. It will be distributed mainly through the Interagency Council on Aging and related organizations. Since these titles are more specialized, public libraries may own fewer of them, but all may be interloaned from the State Library Board.

RICHLAND COUNTY LIBRARY

Mrs. George S. King (Anna Davis) has been appointed librarian of the Richland County Public Library. Mrs. King has been acting as librarian since the untimely demise of Mrs. Hagood Bostick in July of last year. She had been children's librarian since June 1967.

She is a graduate of the University of South Carolina and the Emory University School of Librarianship. She was formerly a librarian with the Columbia City Schools and was a visiting instructor at the Department of Library Education, University of South Carolina.

Mrs. King's grandfather, Robert Means Davis, was at one time librarian of the University of South Carolina.

JAYCEES PRESENT BOOKS TO GREENVILLE LIBRARY

The South Carolina Jaycees have presented sixty books designed for literary education to the Greenville County Library. Greenville Jaycee George Johnson made the presentation on behalf of state Jaycee Adult Education Promotion Project. Mr. Johnson is sub-chairman in charge of library material for the state project. The books are written for various reading levels and are designed for use as parallel reading for adults enrolled in literary classes.

The program originated in Greenville and has spread to many other South Carolina cities.

BARNWELL FRIENDS SPONSOR EXHIBIT

Friends of the Barnwell County Library (ABBE Regional) sponsored an exhibit of ceramics by Ronald Meyers at the library during the month of April. Mr. Meyers, art teacher and ceramics instructor at the University of South Carolina, was honored by the Friends with a reception at the library on April 24.

April was also the month for the membership drive by the Friends.

MUNICIPAL REFERENCE MATERIAL AT NEWBERRY LIBRARY

A municipal reference library designed to make available pertinent information on the operation of the City of Newberry has been started at the Newberry-Saluda Regional Library.

Newberry City Manager K. W. Riebe says that the project is an attempt to keep citizens informed on what is taking place in the city government.

The collection contains such items as the city budget, reports and magazines on city government. The city codes, when revision is complete, will be added.

The city will also add books on the council - manager form of government, the type under which Newberry operates.

OF LIBRARIES AND LIBRARIANS

Mrs. James Hugh McFaddin has been elected chairman of the Clarendon County Library Board succeeding Kendrick Johnson. Mr. Johnson remains on the board.

During the observance of National Library Week, Mrs. Walter L. Heath, was guest speaker at the Lancaster Red Rose Book Club. Mrs. Heath, vice-chairman of the Lancaster County Library Board, compared Lancaster's library with those of neighboring counties, described the services of the library and those available from the State Library Board, and showed the plans for the new library building.

The Seneca Literary and Civic Club presented a check for \$250 to the Seneca Branch of the Oconee County Library. The money will be used to purchase books for the South Carolina collection and for large print editions.

The Charleston alumnae chapter of Delta Sigma Theta sorority has made the first of a series of presentations to the John P. Dart branch of the Charleston County Library. The sorority donated the ten volumes of the International Library of Negro Life and History.

The branch librarians of the ABBE Regional Library met in Aiken, April 28, for a one day in-service training session conducted by Mrs. James Lackey, Head of the Extension Department. Mrs. Alice Nolte, SLB Field Service Librarian, and Carrie Gene Ashley, Library Service Coordinator for the Region, took part in the program.

Mrs. Virginia R. Yates retires from the staff of the Darlington County Library on May 15. Mrs. Yates had been a member of the staff of the Darlington Public Library for sixteen years before the county library was organized.

Mrs. Betty Threatt Koch, formerly bookmobile librarian, Carroll County (Maryland) Library is circulation and reference assistant at the York County Library. Mrs. Koch replaces Mrs. Rose Jordan Williams.

The Reverend Jimmy Farmer is chairman of the building committee of the Hampton County (Allendale-Hampton-Jasper Region) County Library. The members are: Mrs. F.A. McClure, Jr., Mrs. Arthur Atkinson, Mrs. J.R. Peters, Jr., and Miss Izora Miley.

On May 3 the evening division of the Pickens Woman's Club sponsored a fair to raise funds for the new building for the Pickens branch of the Pickens County Library.

Connie R. Morton has resigned from the York County Library Board. Mr. Morton's successor has not been appointed.

Mrs. Frances C. Stuart, Librarian, Richland Tec, served on two evaluation teams for the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Mrs. Stuart worked with the team at the Guilford Technical Institute in Jamestown, N.C. May 4-7, and at Catawba Valley Technical Institute in Hickory, N.C. May 7-10.

WINTHROP COMPLETES \$2 MILLION LIBRARY

On May 12, the contractor turned over the new \$2,000,000 library to Winthrop College. The red brick building with white pre-cast panels contains 100,000 square feet on three levels. The ground level contains offices and work space, the top level study areas and the lower level storage, lounge and mechanical areas.

The 200,000 book collection will be moved and the building open to the summer school students. Eventually the building will house 400,000 volumes.

The building is named for Ida Jane Dacus, Winthrop's first trained librarian, Miss Dacus served from 1902 until her retirement in 1945. She died in 1964.

Dr. H. Joanne Harrar is the present librarian.

The new building replaces a 1905 Carnegie building, which was enlarged in 1929.

YOUR PROBLEMS

by

Anne Library

Dear Anne:

Those nose people at the State Library Board are getting too nose. I am a new

library board member and when I learned at the second meeting I attended that we didn't have to discuss salaries because "they were set by the State Library Board" I blew my top. This is ridiculous! The trustees present the request for funds to the delegation and, since they're the ones who get the money they should have the right to dispense it.

What can we do about this?

Riled

Dear Riled:

I am sure you misunderstood the statement.

The first thing you can do is to get your facts straight. The State Library Board has no authority or inclination to set salaries. If you did not get a copy of Standards for South Carolina Public Libraries compiled and adopted by the Public Library Section, SCLA when you joined the board, ask your librarian to get you a copy and study it noting the salary schedule. These are State Standards - not State Library Board requirements. If anyone asks the staff of the State Library Board about salaries he is referred to the salary schedule in the Standards.

I hope you will point this out to the other board members.

Anne

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